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Child and Adult Care Food Program applications available

The R.I. Department of Education (RIDE) is accepting applications from public and nonpublic institutions that would like to participate in the federally funded Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Child-care centers, adult day-care centers, day-care homes, schools, and emergency shelters may participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program, which currently provides nutritious meals to more than 15,600 participants daily at 610 locations statewide through 93 locally sponsored programs.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) funds the Child and Adult Care Food Program. The federal funds allow the centers to provide nutritious meals and snacks at no separate charge to infants, young children, and adults receiving services as well as to infants and children living in emergency shelters.

Sponsoring institutions serve meals at no separate charge to all participants, regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion, or sexual orientation.

RIDE reimburses programs for each meal served, according to USDA predetermined reimbursement rates based on the income levels of the families that the programs serve. RIDE will use the following income guidelines to determine funding through June 30, 2013:

| FREE MEALS | | | | | REDUCED-PRICE MEALS | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Number in Family | Annual Gross Income | Monthly Gross Income | Biweekly Gross Income | Weekly Gross Income | | Annual Gross Income | Monthly Gross Income | Biweekly Gross Income | Weekly Gross Income |
| 1 | 14,521 | 1,211 | 559 | 280 | | 20,665 | 1,723 | 795 | 398 |
| 2 | 19,669 | 1,640 | 757 | 379 | | 27,991 | 2,333 | 1,077 | 539 |
| 3 | 24,817 | 2,069 | 955 | 478 | | 35,317 | 2,944 | 1,359 | 680 |
| 4 | 29,965 | 2,498 | 1,153 | 577 | | 42,643 | 3,554 | 1,641 | 821 |
| 5 | 35,113 | 2,927 | 1,351 | 676 | | 49,969 | 4,165 | 1,922 | 961 |
| 6 | 40,261 | 3,356 | 1,549 | 775 | | 57,295 | 4,775 | 2,204 | 1,102 |
| 7 | 45,409 | 3,785 | 1,747 | 874 | | 64,621 | 5,380 | 2,486 | 1,243 |
| 8 | 50,557 | 4,214 | 1,945 | 973 | | 71,947 | 5,996 | 2,768 | 1,384 |
| Each Add'l Family Member | +5,148 | +429 | +198 | +99 | | +7,326 | +611 | +282 | +141 |

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Child and Adult Care Food Program applications and a list of local participating agencies are available from the RIDE Office of Finance, Shepard Building, 255 Westminister Street, Providence, R.I. 02903-3400.

Contact: Kathy A. Kendall, at (401) 222-8935, or Public Information, (401) 222-8471

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